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<u>Bill #</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Bill Content Summary</u>	<u>Chamber Status</u>	<u>Recent Action Taken</u>
BILLS ORIGINATED IN SENATE CHAMBER				
326	Civil Action against False Medicaid Claims	The original bill significantly limited discretion of agency staff in administering the program. Outlined crimes and penalties associated with false Medicaid claims.	Recommended by Judicial Conference Committee -- Bound first for Senate Floor for approval as part of HB 2893	Language of the original bill referring to "misuse of public funds" amended into HB 2893 by the Judiciary Conference Committee. The sections opposed by DHPF, Sec. 2 (a)(2) and 2 (a)(3), were NOT included in the new version of HB 2893.
327	Office of Inspector General	Creating the Office of Inspector General to investigate and monitor the activities of the KHPA and those it does business with. Scope: SCHIP, Medikan, and Medicaid. Housed in the AG's Office.	Stopped in House Appropriations	3/15/06 Vote by Appropriations Subcommittee held "at the rail" - Further consideration delayed until interim
342	Obstruction of a Medicaid fraud investigation; AG may force asset forfeiture	Allowing the Attorney General to recoup money through the seizure of the property that was purchased with fraudulently obtained monies, also creating the crime of obstruction of a Medicaid fraud investigation.	Recommended by Judicial Conference Committee -- Bound first for Senate Floor for approval as part of HB 2893	The entire bill minus the language "or entity" was amended into HB 2893 by the Judiciary Conference Committee.
405	Insurance Company Registration	Bill by the Insurance Commissioner. Allows discretion to waive certain requirements for foreign (to the state) insurance companies to operate in Kansas. The bill is the Commissioner's response to issues with Medicare Part D PDP's.	Passed by both chambers -- Awaiting Governor's Signature 3/27	
451	Medicaid #, Photo ID, Unique Prescriber #	Creating the crime of trading a Medicaid # for any type of remuneration, requiring a photo id at every Medicaid point of service, requiring the presence of a unique prescriber number on all medicaid prescription claims.	Recommended by Judicial Conference Committee -- Bound first for Senate Floor for approval as part of HB 2893	The sections referring to "Unique Prescriber #" and "creating crime of trading Medicaid # for any remuneration" amended into HB 2893 by the Judiciary Conference Committee. The section "requiring photo id" was NOT included in the bill.
461	Worker's Compensation	Dealing with preexisting conditions, prmanent partial general disability, and supplemental functional disability compensation.	Passed by both chambers -- Awaiting Governor's Signature 3/20	3/21 /06 - VETOED BY THE GOVERNOR
490	Long-Term Care Bill of Rights		Passed by Senate, did not proceed out of committee in the House	2/28/06 Referred to House Appropriations
491	Personal Needs Allowance Increase	Increasing the Personal Needs Allowance for nursing facility residents from \$30/month to \$60/month, or \$20/month to \$50/month in SSI cases; using SGF	2/28/06 Passed by Senate, did not proceed out of committee in the House	Referred to House Appropriations
528	Reporting information on pregnancy terminations			3/30/06 Passed by House as amended

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536	Medicaid: estate recovery	Ensuring that the estate of one deceased does not owe Kansas Medicaid reimbursement before the estate is distributed. Bill suggested by a Wyandotte County district judge. It is suggested this bill would increase the amount of dollars recovered by Medicaid.	Passed by Senate, did not proceed out of committee in the House	Referred to Judicial Council by Judicial Conference Committee. There was discussion of including it with HB 2893, but that effort failed.
577	Transfer of Kansas Health Insurance Information System to KHPA	Transfer of Kansas Health Insurance Information System to KHPA effective upon publication	The original unrelated bill was passed by the Senate. That bill was then gutted to be used as a vehicle for quicker passage of the substitute for the bill. The House substituted the language from 3010 and quickly passed the bill, allowing for the bill to quickly be forwarded to Conference Committee for recommendation for approval.	3/30/06 Language from HB 3010 substituted in gut-and-go fashion (the bill is HB 3010 word for word).
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2105	Create Unit in AG's office to investigate abuse of disabled	Concerning abuse, neglect, and exploitation of persons with disabilities; creating a unit to investigate such abuse in the office of the attorney general.	Currently in conference committee.	3/29/06 Conference committee appointed to negotiate on the bill.
2538	Adult Care Homes, Nursing Facility Assessments	Adult Care Homes, assessments on nursing facilities, quality assurance assessment fund, initiatives for nursing care improvements.	Did not proceed out of committee	2/22/06 Hearing in House
2593	Insurance to be offered by Board of Regents	Authorizing the State Board of Regents to procure health insurance for students at state educational institutions. Currently, a program exists within our Benefits Program, but this would allow for the BOR to take over this responsibility. Our program would then disappear.	Recommended by Education Conference Committee -- Bound for House Floor for approval as part of SB 332	3/25/06 Education Conference Committee amended this bill into SB 332
2829	Regulation of Office Based Surgery	Regulation of clinics and facilities where office-based surgeries and special procedures are performed.	Passed by House, did not proceed out of Senate committee	Referred to Senate Public Health and Welfare
2893	Sheriffs Association's Medicaid Rate Bill	Provides that certain law enforcement entities be entitled to the Medicaid rate when purchasing services for persons in their custody. First, nearly all language from SB 342 amended into the bill. Select provisions of SB 451 were also amended in. Those provisions explicitly state that trading a beneficiary Medicaid number for any type of remuneration is illegal, and that every Medicaid prescription claim shall include a unique prescriber ID number. A provision of the bill that was not included would have required a state-issued photo ID to be presented at each and every Medicaid service delivery point. Lastly, SB 326, a bill creating the a civil action against a person filing a false Medicaid claim, or an employee within the administration that knowingly files a claim incorrectly, was stripped of most of its capabilities before being amended into the bill. This fell right in line with how SRS, Aging, DHPF, and various associations testified in opposition to the bill. Only language outlining that persons in an official public position "knowingly" misusing public funds will be forced to forfeit their current public position, and language outlining the penalties associated, was included.		Judicial Conference Committee amended into the bill pieces of SB 326, 342, and 451-- Bound for Senate Floor for approval before going to House Floor for final legislative approval

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2945	Eligibility of "aliens" for public assistance	Bill written by Kris Kobach for Rep. Merrick. Concerning eligibility for public assistance, modifying process for verification of legal presence in the U.S., requiring affidavit of legal presence to be signed by a beneficiary w/o proper ID in order to receive temporary benefits, outlining reporting of those in violation to Homeland Security	Did not proceed out of committee	3/22/06 Proponents heard in House Appropriations, opponents to be heard if scheduled
3010	Transfer of Kansas Health Insurance Information System to KHPA		Stopped b/c language from the bill has been substituted into another bill (SB 577) as a vehicle for quicker passage.	3/30/06 Substituted for SB 577 language in gut-and-go fashion (the bill replaced old 577 word for word).
3011	Health Care Price Transparency	Requirement of medical facilities to maintain and make available upon consumer request a price listing of their procedures. Many on the House Committee felt this bill was tailor-made for those with HSAs.	Did not proceed out of committee	3/21/06 Heard in House Health and Human Services, but no action taken

<u>Bill #</u>	<u>DHPF Testimony</u>
326	3/16/2006 - House Judiciary Committee: Bob Day testified in opposition to Sections 2 (a)(2) and 2 (a)(3) of the bill.
327	None
342	None
405	None
451	None
461	None
490	None
491	None
528	None

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3010	None
3011	None